

## IRONING SHIRTS.

"Ironing my husband's shirts," said she,  
With a motion of easy grace,  
As over the linen the metal flew,  
While the love light swept her face.  
Little she thought how those simple  
words  
Stirred within me the love of old,  
How the pain shot through to think of  
them,  
So long in their graves so cold.  
That bosom so white, that earnest care  
That never a crease or seam  
Should mar the linen to her so fair,  
Was to me like an old-time dream.  
Ah! many's the time, in days gone by,  
As with weary hands I strove,  
I have wished there were not so many to  
call  
For a wife's or a mother's love.  
And often I said, as the sun sank low,  
"Oh, I'm glad my work is done;  
So many, so many!" Alas! poor hands!  
They have now not even one.

Ah, wives, be patient, and mothers, be  
strong,  
For the toil that comes to-day;  
'Tis easier far for the heart to bear  
Than to have them far away!  
—Frances D. Gage, in *Woman's Journal*.

## The Poultry Yard.

## POULTRY AND EGGS.

The immense proportions, says the *Mercantile and Exchange Advocate*, to which the poultry and egg product of this country has grown, are at this period worthy of the attention of all who are interested in the food products of the world.

In giving attention to the production of poultry and eggs, it is well to remark the fact, that the entire production is intended for consumption as human food.

And as human food it is of interest to observe that both poultry and eggs are considered food of the highest order.

Having observed that the entire production of poultry and eggs is intended for human food and that of the highest order, the next thing for consideration is whether or not the value and quantity of these poultry products are worthy of any special attention. Possibly some of those elegant speculators in cotton or wheat who imagine that the bare thought given to the value of the eggs or fowls they eat on their tables would disgrace their profession as dealers in the great cotton or wheat products, would open their eyes wide if told that the poultry and egg crop of the United States exceeds in actual value the cotton crop per year by about \$130,000,000, and the wheat crop by over \$50,000,000.

The poultry and egg products of the past year from June 1, 1885, to June 1, 1886, can be placed at the enormous sum of \$563,000,000 with a confident feeling that this estimate, based upon comparative calculations, is not far from being an approximate valuation as near as can be arrived at. Realizing the immense value attached to these products, it is foreign to American ideas that so important an interest on the list of human food products should not receive that attention which it is entitled to?

## A COMBINATION FOOD.

During the past season we have made several experiments in feeding, with the view of arriving at the combination of several kinds of food that will give the best results at the least cost, and for both adults and chicks the following is excellent: Six parts of ground corn and oats, one part each of bran, middlings and ground meat, and to every twenty-five pounds of the mixture add half a pound of salt, one pound ground bone, and two pounds charcoal. The corn and oats are usually ground together. There is nothing expensive about it except the ground meat, but as only one pound is used to every eight pounds of the other materials, it is not costly. Now for an explanation of the food. But little corn is used, as fat is not desirable in growing chicks and laying hens. The bran is used to somewhat lighten the mass and preventing the middlings from rendering it too adhesive. The oats, middlings and meat are nitrogenous, the salt is a necessary and oft-neglected ingredient, and the charcoal is corrective. The bones are added to supply any deficiency of lime or phosphoric acid. We found that chicks fed with this food scalded,

grew very rapidly, some of them weighing two pounds at ten weeks old, while for young ducks it is superior to anything ever before used by us. Of course, in feeding such concentrated food we also gave green stuff, or bulky material, as well as providing plenty of water. With this food oyster shells are unnecessary, provided plenty of gravel or small sharp stones are used. But, above all, it is one of the cheapest foods that can be used.—*Farm, Field and Stockman*.

## POULTRY NOTES.

A hen may be calculated to consume sixty pounds of grain in a year.

The better way of feeding corn to chickens is in a crushed or cracked form.

The arrangement of your hen houses, with a view of giving comfort and cleanliness, has more to do with the amount of eggs shelled out than some are aware of.

The hen house and other out-buildings, if unpainted, will be all the better for a coat of whitewash. A very little glue dissolved in hot water before the lime is put in will make the wash adhere.—*Farm, Field and Stockman*.

## THE AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

The State Board of Agriculture held the most important of all its sessions in Raleigh on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Nearly all the members were present, and quite a number of distinguished men from Virginia and South Carolina honored the meeting by their presence. On Thursday morning the Board accompanied by the Governor and State officers, the Supreme Court, and some hundreds of citizens of Raleigh, went out to the Experiment Farm to witness the laying, by the Governor of North Carolina, and the Grand Master of the Masons of the State, the corner stone of the first building on the Farm. This was the leading step in the erection and establishment of one of the institutions destined to prove a blessing to the Agricultural interests of North Carolina. For this the Department of Agriculture was created. For many years the late Prof. W. C. Kerr, one of the most learned and progressive men who has ever lived and labored in North Carolina, advocated the establishment of the Experiment Station. In this he was ably assisted by Gov. Vance, and these, with the co-operation of some of our other progressive men, succeeded in establishing the present efficient department. To Col. L. L. Polk, the first commissioner of Agriculture, we think belongs the credit of devising ways and means for the establishment and support of the Department of Agriculture, and he deserves to be mentioned high in the list of those who have so wisely labored for the best interests of the farmers of North Carolina. We congratulate the Board on the establishment of its Experimental Farm, and hope for it the best results. The farmers of the State will henceforth have much to interest them when they visit the State Fair, as the Experiment Farm and its buildings are adjoined to the grounds of the State Agricultural Society. We invite them all to visit our city on the 26th of next October.

But the best thing the Board of Agriculture has ever done, it did at its session on Thursday evening, when it accepted the proposition of the city of Raleigh and decided to establish the Industrial School in or near the city. This is a step in the right direction and will ultimately put North Carolina ahead of her sister States. Practical education is the want of the age, and especially the want of North Carolina. We most heartily thank the Board for this action and shall cheerfully do all in our power to aid it in making the Industrial School a success. We hope to see fifty or a hundred boys and young men, vigorous in mind and body, in this school, being educated in head, heart and hand for the wide field of usefulness now lying waste in our State. Raleigh can furnish, in a week's notice, at least fifty boys for the school, some of them now idle and begging for admission into our machine shops and factories.—*Biblical Recorder*.

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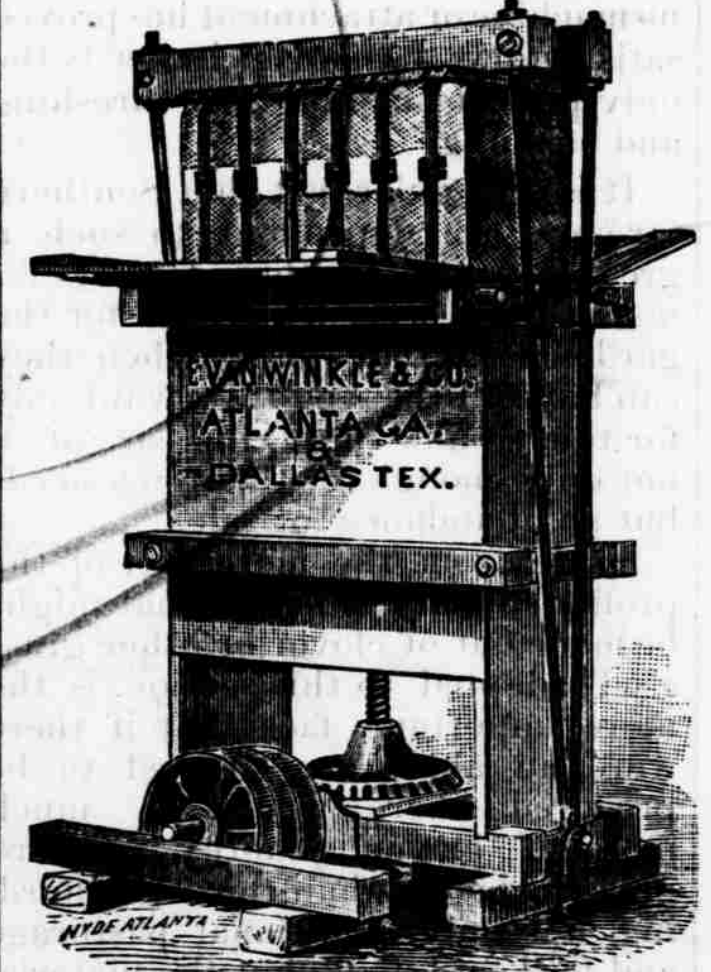
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SOUTHBOUND—DAILY.			
	No. 50.	No. 51.	No. 52.
Live New York	12:00 night	3:40 pm	
" Philadelphia	7:20 a.m.	6:08 "	
" Baltimore	9:50 "	9:00 "	
" Washington	11:15 "	11:00 "	
" Charlottesville	3:45 p.m.	3:00 am	
" Lynchburg	6:05 "	5:15 "	
" Richmond	3:25 "	2:00 "	
" Burkeville	5:21 "	4:05 "	
" Keyesville	5:58 "	4:44 "	
" Drakes Branch	6:14 "	5:00 "	
" Danville	9:00 "	8:04 "	
" Greensboro	11:00 "	9:48 pm	
" Goldsboro	11:50 am	5:00 "	
" Raleigh	5:00 pm	10:30 am	
" Durham	6:07 "	1:12 pm	
" Chapel Hill	6:55 "	10:20 am	
" Hillsboro	6:47 "	2:20 pm	
" Salem	7:15 "	6:10 "	
" High Point	11:37 "	10:16 "	
" Salisbury	12:28 pm	11:23 "	
Ar. Statesville	1:20 "	12:28 "	
" Asheville	10:00 "	6:21 "	
" Warm Springs	3:05 pm	8:52 "	
Live Concord	1:46 "	11:59 "	
" Charlotte	3:00 "	1:00 "	
" Spartanburg	5:46 "	3:34 "	
" Greenville	7:04 "	4:49 "	
Ar. Atlanta	1:30 pm	10:40 "	

## NORTHBOUND—DAILY.

	No. 51.	No. 52.	No. 53.
Live Atlanta	6:00 pm	8:40 am	
Ar. Greenville	12:25 am	2:30 pm	
" Spartanburg	1:34 "	3:43 "	
" Charlotte	4:40 "	6:25 "	
" Concord	5:53 "	7:25 "	
" Salisbury	6:10 "	8:01 "	
" High Point	7:25 "	9:08 "	
" Greensboro	7:53 "	9:43 "	
" Salem	11:28 "	12:30 am	
" Hillsboro	11:54 "	2:55 "	
" Durham	12:28 pm	4:40 "	
" Chapel Hill	1:00 "	7:00 "	
" Raleigh	1:35 "	11:00 "	
" Goldsboro	4:40 "	11:30 pm	
" Danville	10:00 am	1:04 am	
" Drakes Branch	12:35 pm	3:04 "	
" Keyesville	1:30 "	3:57 "	
" Burkeville	1:30 "	3:57 "	
" Richmond	3:30 "	7:00 "	
" Lynchburg	12:55 "	2:00 "	
" Charlottesville	3:15 "	4:10 "	
" Washington	8:30 "	8:30 "	
" Baltimore	11:25 "	10:08 "	
" Philadelphia	3:00 a.m.	12:35 pm	
" New York	6:20 "	8:20 "	

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ASSETS:	
United State Bonds	\$18,000.00
Bonds and Mortgages	85,000.00
Property	13,978.80
Cash on hand	13,827.58

LIABILITIES:	
Assessments Paid in Advance	\$ 805.63
Due Assessment Accounts	6,785.73

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## CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

ON AND AFTER THIS DATE, THE FOL-  
lowing Schedule will be operated on this  
Railroad:

PASSENGER, MAIL AND EXPRESS TRAINS:  
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAYS.

(Leave Wilmington at.....7:00 P. M.  
No. 1. Leave Raleigh at.....7:35 P. M.  
(Arrive at Charlotte at.....7:30 A. M.)  
(Leave Charlotte at.....8:15 P. M.  
No. 2. Arrive at Raleigh at.....9:00 A. M.  
(Arrive at Wilmington at.....8:25 A. M.)

LOCAL FREIGHT—Passenger Car Attached.  
Leave Charlotte at.....7:40 A. M.  
Arrive at Laurinburg at.....5:45 P. M.  
Leave Laurinburg at.....8:15 A. M.  
Arrive at Charlotte at.....4:40 P. M.  
Leave Wilmington at.....4:45 A. M.  
Arrive at Laurinburg at.....5:00 P. M.  
Leave Laurinburg at.....5:30 A. M.  
Arrive at Wilmington at.....8:40 P. M.

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Passenger Trains stop at regular stations on-  
ly, and Points designated in the Company's  
Time Table.

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Daily except Sundays.  
No. 3. (Leave Charlotte at.....8:15 A. M.  
(Arrive at Shelby at.....12:15 P. M.)  
No. 4. (Leave Shelby at.....1:40 A. M.  
(Arrive at Charlotte at.....5:40 P. M.)

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Condensed Time Table No. 13.

## TRAIN NORTH.

	Arrive.	Leave.
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Bennettsville	8:20 a. m.	
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Shoe Heel	9:40 a. m.	9:50 a. m.
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Fayetteville	12:03 m.	12:03 p. m.
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Sanford	12:25 p. m.	12:25 p. m.
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Ore Hill	3:43 p. m.	3:43 p. m.
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Liberty	4:37 p. m.	
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Greensboro	6:00 p. m.	
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Dinner at Fayetteville.

## TRAIN SOUTH.

	Arrive.	Leave.
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Greensboro	9:57 a. m.	
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Liberty	11:05 a. m.	11:05 a. m.
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Ore Hill	12:00 m.	12:00 m.
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Sanford	1:20 p. m.	1:45 p. m.
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Fayetteville	3:50 p. m.	4:30 p. m.
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Shoe Heel	6:05 p. m.	6:15 p. m.
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Bennettsville	7:30 p. m.	
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Dinner at Sanford.

Freight and Passenger Train leaves Ben-  
nettsville Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays  
at 2:30 p. m., arriving at Shoe Heel at 4:30 p. m.,  
and at Fayetteville at 8 p. m.

Leaves Fayetteville on Tuesdays, Thurs-  
days and Saturdays at 6:30 a. m., Shoe Heel at  
10 a. m., and arrives at Bennettsville at 12 m.

Freight and Passenger Train North leaves  
Fayetteville daily at 8 a. m., connecting at  
Sanford with Freight and Passenger Trains to  
Raleigh, leaving Sanford at 11:30 a. m., and  
arriving at Greensboro at 5:40 p. m.

Leaves Greensboro daily at 8 a. m., leaves  
Sanford at 11:35 a. m., and arrives at Fayette-  
ville at 2:30 p. m.

JOHN M. ROSE,  
General Passenger Agent